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- 11. (SBU) Roman Voloshchenao, a Russian Embassy political officer who apparently had received reftel demarche instructions before the four-day Easter holiday, notified us by telephone on April 14 he had arranged to deliver reftel points to James Nachipo, head of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Counter-Terrorism Cooperation Section, that morning. It appeared his instructions were to inform the U.S. Embassy rather than carry out a joint demarche.
- 12. (SBU) Voloshchenao advised that Nachipo had welcomed the invitation but said DFAT would need additional time to consider details of the GOA's participation and had promised a more detailed response at a later time.
- 13. (SBU) We contacted Dutch DCM Eric Strating to inform him of these developments. While Strating was aware of the Dutch plans to host the plenary, he had received no instructions regarding a joint demarche and had not been contacted by the Russian Embassy regarding its plans.
- 14. (SBU) We plan to follow-up with Nachipo on April 15 to ensure that Voloshchenao passed on the specific invitation for Australia to give a presentation on its GICNT Discussion Exercise (DISCEX) Blue Glow during the afternoon of June 16, and will advise septel.

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